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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL
37 C.F.R. § 1.114

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Previously submitted

Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on n/a. (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)

Consider the arguments in the appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on n/a.

Other: n/a.

Enclosed

Amendment/Reply

Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

Other: Form PTO-1449; 9 cited references; & Petition for Extension of Time (1 month).

2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

Other: n/a.

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3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

| | Claims After Amendment | Claims Previously Paid | Extra Claims | Fees |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Basic Fee = | | | | \$ 770.00 |
| Total Claims | | — = | 0 x \$18.00 = | 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | | — = | 0 x \$86.00 = | 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (if any) - \$290.00 fee | | | | |
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| Fee For Extension Of Time | | | | 110.00 |
| Other Fees: () | | | | |
| TOTAL FEE: | | | | \$ 880.00 |

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